

HOUSE No. 152

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition of Brian P. Wallace and John A. Hart, Jr., relative to continuous service for retirement purposes for persons laid off due to reduction in force. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS SERVICE IN A RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 22 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2002 Official Edition, is amended in subsection (1)(b) by
3 adding at the end thereof the following sentence:— For the pur-
4 poses of this subsection any member in service who was laid off
5 because of reduction in force caused by budget cuts, whether or
6 not such member withdrew contributions to the retirement system,
7 upon reinstatement and repayment of such contributions shall be
8 considered to have maintained continuous active service in the
9 retirement system and such member's rate of contribution shall be
10 the same as the initial date of employment.